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**Approval Package for:**

**Application Number : 064171**

**Trade Name: PAROMOMYCIN SULFATE CAPSULE USP  
250MG (BASE)**

**Generic Name: Paromomycin Sulfate Capsule USP 250mg  
(base)**

**Sponsor : Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories, Ltd.**

**Approval Date: June 30, 1997**

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**APPROVAL LETTER**

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This is in reference to your abbreviated antibiotic drug application dated December 29, 1995, submitted pursuant to Section 507 of the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, for Paromomycin Sulfate Capsules USP, 250 mg (base),

We have completed the review of this abbreviated application and have concluded that the drug is safe and effective for use as recommended in the submitted labeling. Accordingly, the application is approved. The Division of Bioequivalence has determined your Paromomycin Sulfate Capsules, USP, 250 mg (base) to be bioequivalent and, therefore, therapeutically equivalent to the listed drug (Humatin Capsules® 250 mg (base) of Parke Davis, Division of Warner Lambert Company). Your disintegration testing should be incorporated into the stability and quality control program using the same method proposed in your application.

Post-marketing reporting requirements for this abbreviated application are set forth in 21 CFR 314.80-81. The Office of Generic Drugs should be advised of any change in the marketing status of this drug.

We request that you submit, in duplicate, any proposed advertising or promotional copy which you intend to use in your initial advertising or promotional campaigns. Please submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Submit both copies together with a copy of the proposed or final printed labeling to the Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (HFD-40). Please do not use Form FD-2253 (Transmittal of Advertisements and Promotional Labeling for Drugs for Human Use) for this initial submission.

We call your attention to 21 CFR 314.81(b)(3) which requires that materials for any subsequent advertising or promotional campaign be submitted to our Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications (HFD-40) with a completed Form FD-2253 at the time of their initial use.

Sincerely yours

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6/30/97

Douglas L. Sporn  
Director  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

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**FINAL PRINTED LABELING**

Store at controlled room temperature 15°-30°C (59°-86°F). Protect from moisture.

\*Each capsule, for oral administration, contains paromomycin sulfate equivalent to 250 mg paromomycin.

Each capsule also contains the following inactive ingredients: FD&C Green #3, FD&C Yellow #5 (tartrazine), gelatin, and titanium dioxide.

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NDC 57664-175-08  
**Paromomycin Sulfate**  
Capsules, USP

**250 mg\***

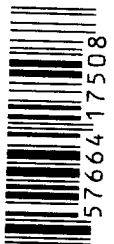
**100 Capsules**

**CAUTION:** Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription.

**JF CARACO**  
PHARMACEUTICAL  
LABORATORIES, LTD.  
DETROIT, MI 48202

**USUAL DOSAGE:**  
See package insert for complete prescribing information.

Keep this and all drugs out of the reach of children.



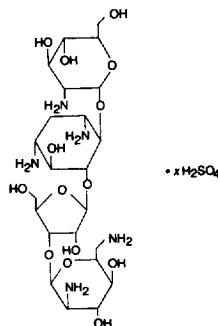
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# Paromomycin Sulfate

## Capsules, USP

### DESCRIPTION

Paromomycin sulfate is a broad spectrum antibiotic produced by *Streptomyces rimosus* var. *paromomycinus*. It is a white, amorphous, stable, water-soluble product. Paromomycin sulfate is designated chemically as *O*-2,6-Diamino-2,6-dideoxy- $\beta$ -L-idopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-*O*- $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 5)-*O*-[2-amino-2-deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)]-2-deoxystreptamine sulfate (salt). The molecular formula is  $C_{23}H_{45}N_5O_{14} \cdot xH_2SO_4$ , with a molecular weight of 615.64 (base). Its structural formula is:



Each capsule, for oral administration, contains paromomycin sulfate equivalent to 250 mg paromomycin. Each capsule also contains the following inactive ingredients: FD&C Green #3; FD&C Yellow #5 (tartrazine); gelatin, NF; and titanium dioxide, USP.

### CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

The *in vitro* and *in vivo* antibacterial action of paromomycin closely parallels that of neomycin. It is poorly absorbed after oral administration, with almost 100% of the drug recoverable in the stool.

### INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Paromomycin sulfate is indicated for intestinal amebiasis—acute and chronic (NOTE—It is not effective in extraintestinal amebiasis); management of hepatic coma—as adjunctive therapy.

### CONTRAINDICATIONS

Paromomycin sulfate is contraindicated in individuals with a history of previous hypersensitivity reactions to it. It is also contraindicated in intestinal obstruction.

### PRECAUTIONS

The use of this antibiotic, as with other antibiotics, may result in an overgrowth of nonsusceptible organisms, including fungi. Constant observation of the patient is essential. If new infections caused by nonsusceptible organisms appear during therapy, appropriate measures should be taken.

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The drug should be used with caution in individuals with ulcerative lesions of the bowel to avoid renal toxicity through inadvertent absorption.

This product contains FD&C Yellow No. 5 (tartrazine) which may cause allergic-type reactions (including bronchial asthma) in certain susceptible persons. Although the overall incidence of FD&C Yellow No. 5 (tartrazine) sensitivity in the general population is low, it is frequently seen in patients who also have aspirin hypersensitivity.

#### ADVERSE REACTIONS

Nausea, abdominal cramps, and diarrhea have been reported in patients on doses over 3 g daily.

#### DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

*Intestinal amebiasis:* Adults and Children: Usual dose—25 to 35 mg/kg body weight daily, administered in three doses with meals, for five to ten days.

*Management of hepatic coma:* Adults: Usual dose—4 g daily in divided doses, given at regular intervals for five to six days.

#### HOW SUPPLIED

Paromomycin Sulfate Capsules, each contain paromomycin sulfate equivalent to 250 mg paromomycin. The capsule is green/yellow, imprinted "175" in black ink on the cap and body.

NDC 57664-175-08: Bottles of 100

Store at controlled room temperature 15°-30°C (59°-86°F).

Protect from moisture.

Caution—Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription.

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SULFATE  
Capsules, USP

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**CHEMISTRY REVIEW(S)**

1. CHEMISTRY REVIEW NO. 3

2. AADA # 64-171

3. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories, Ltd.  
1150 Elijah McCoy Drive  
Detroit, Michigan 48202

4. BASIS OF SUBMISSION

Humatin Capsules  
by Parke-Davis

5. SUPPLEMENT(s)

N/A

6. PROPRIETARY NAME

N/A

7. NONPROPRIETARY NAME

Paromomycin Sulfate  
Capsules

8. SUPPLEMENT(s) PROVIDE(s) FOR:

N/A

9. AMENDMENTS AND OTHER DATES:

Date of Application: December 29, 1995  
Date of Receipt: January 2, 1996  
Major Amendment dated December 10, 1996  
Facsimile Amendment dated: April 18, 1997

10. PHARMACOLOGICAL CATEGORY

Antibiotic

11. Rx or OTC

Rx

12. RELATED IND/NDA/DMF(s)

(b)4 - Confidential Business

13. DOSAGE FORM

Capsules

14. POTENCY

250 mg

15. CHEMICAL NAME AND STRUCTURE

$C_{23}H_{45}N_5O_{14} \cdot H_2SO_4$

Paromomycin Sulfate is the sulfate salt of an antibiotic substance or substances produced by the growth of *Streptomyces rimosus* var. *paromomycinus*, or a mixture of two or more such salts.

Paromomycin sulfate is indicated for intestinal amebiasis - acute and chronic; management of hepatic coma - as adjunctive therapy.

16. RECORDS AND REPORTS  
N/A

17. COMMENTS

This is a review of the Facsimile Amendment dated April 18, 1997, which is in response to our Facsimile deficiency dated March 27, 1997.

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Reviewer's comment

The applicant's commitment is satisfactory.

18. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The application may be approved with an acceptable EER for Caraco and the other firms listed under item 24.

19. REVIEWER: DATE COMPLETED:  
V.Walton April 25, 1997

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BIOEQUIVALENCE REVIEW(S)

JUN 20 1996

Paromomycin Sulfate  
Capsules, 250 mg, USP  
ANDA 64-171  
Reviewer: Man M. Kochhar

Caraco Pharmaceutical  
Detroit, Michigan  
Submission Date:  
December 29, 1995

Review of a Waiver Request

Introduction

Paromomycin is a aminoglycoside antibiotic, isolated from cultures of *Streptomyces rimosus*, is amebicidal both in vitro and in vivo. Paromomycin acts directly on amoebae but also has antibacterial activity against normal and pathogenic microorganisms in the gastrointestinal tract. It is supplied in capsules, each containing 250 mg. After oral administration, little of the drug is absorbed into the systemic circulation. The main side effect of this antibiotic is gastrointestinal upset and diarrhea.

Comment:

1. The formulation of the test product and innovator product Humatin 250 mg capsule (Parke-Davis) is similar. It contains no inactive ingredient except the gelatin capsule.
2. The indications for use, dosage, strength and labeling of the test product are identical to those of the reference product Humatin manufactured by Parke-Davis.
3. Paromomycin is a pre 62 drug which underwent DESI review and found to be effective against intestinal amebiasis. Therefore, a waiver for paromomycin can be granted based on 21 CFR 320.22 (c).

Recommendation

The Division of Bioequivalence agrees that the information submitted by Caraco Pharmaceutical on its Paramomycin Sulfate capsules, 250 mg falls under 21 CFR 320.22 (c) of the bioavailability/Bioequivalence regulations. The waiver of in vivo bioequivalence study for 250 mg capsules of Paramomycin Sulfate is granted.

JUN 27 1996

Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories, Ltd.  
Attention: Annie Holt  
1150 Elijah McCoy Drive  
Detroit, MI 48202

Dear Madam:

This is in reference to your abbreviated new drug application submitted pursuant to Section 507 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Paromomycin Sulfate Capsules USP, 250 mg (base).

The Division of Bioequivalence has completed its review and has no further questions at this time.

Please note that the bioequivalency comments expressed in this letter are preliminary. The above bioequivalency comments may be revised after review of the entire application, upon consideration of the chemistry, manufacturing and controls, microbiology, labeling or other scientific or regulatory issues. A revised determination may require additional information and/or studies, or may conclude that the proposed formulation is not approvable.

Sincerely yours,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature, with the letters "/S/" printed in white in the center.

/S/

Keith K. Chan, Ph.D.  
Director, Division of Bioequivalence  
Office of Generic Drugs  
Center for Drug Evaluation and  
Research